GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:844
ANSWERED ON:07.02.2017
Linking Ration Cards with Aadhaar
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of ration cards issued, State and category-wise;
(b) whether there is a provision of regular correction in BPL list and ration card in the concerned rules and if so, the details in this regard and the position of its implementation;
(c) whether the Government has received a proposal to increase the number of beneficiaries under different schemes of the Ministries and if so, details in this regard and the response of the Government in this regard;
(d) whether the Aadhaar has helped the Government to eliminate bogus ration cards in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
(e) whether all the Aadhaar cards in the country are now linked with ration cards and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
(f) whether the Government is planning to make the linking of Aadhaar with ration cards compulsory and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)
(a): After implementation of NFSA, beneficiaries are identified under following two categories namely:
(i) Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) Households, and
(ii) Priority Households.
â€¦2/-
â€¦2â€¦
As per information received from States/UTs, a statewise statement showing the number of ration cards issued as on 15.11.2016 is at Annexure-I.
(b): TDPS (Control) Order, 2015 stipulates that State/UT Governments are required to review the lists of beneficiaries every year for the purpose of deletion of ineligible families and inclusion of eligible families. State/UT Governments have been requested from time to time to carry out drives for reviewing the list of beneficiaries under TPDS. The exercise of deletion of bogus/ineligible cards and inclusion of eligible families is a continuous process and State/UT Governments are to periodically carry out the same.
(c): Proposal from States/UTs are regularly received for revising allocation of foodgrains whenever there is any increase/ decrease in number of beneficiaries identified under National Food Security Act. Allocation of foodgrains under the Act are made on the basis of identification of eligible households within the prescribed ceiling, reported by the States/UTs, availability of beneficiaries details on the PDS portal and foodgrains entitlements prescribed for eligible households under the Act. As and when request from States/UTs for revision in the allocation, based on identification of additional eligible households, within the ceiling on coverage, is received, such request is considered and foodgrains allocation is revised.
(d) to (f): All States/UTs have also been requested to seed the Aadhaar numbers in Ration Card database. The scheme will enable removal of bogus/ineligible ration cards and better targeting of food subsidy, facilitate availability of foodgrains to intended beneficiaries at Fair Price Shops (FPS), check leakages and diversions etc. As on 24.01.2017, 100% digitization of ration cards and approx 73% seeding of Aadhaar has been achieved and approx 1.78 lakh e PoS are currently operating at Fair Price Shops. A state-wise statement showing the deletion of ration cards during the year 2013 to 2016 (upto 16.11.2016) due to detection of ghost / fraudulent / duplicate / ineligible / migration / deaths etc during the process of digitization, de-duplication/ Aadhaar seeding is at Annexure-II.
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ANNEXURE -I
ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 844 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 07.02.2017 IN THE LOK SABHA
STATEMENT INDICATING STATE-WISE NUMBER OF RATION CARDS UNDER NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY ACT, 2013 ???????? ????? ????? ????????, 2013 ?? ??????? ??? ??? ?? ? ?? ????? ??? ????1-??? ?????
(Compilation of information received from States/UTs by 15.11.2016)
(??????? 15.11.2016 ?? ????/??? ???? ?????? ? ? ???? ??? ????? ??)
(Figures in lakhs) (????? ??? ???)
S. No. ?. ??.
Name of the State/UT ????/ ??? ?????? ? ????? ???
Ration Cards ???? ????
AAY ??? ??
PHH ??????
Total (AAY +PHH) ??? (??? ?? + ??????)
1
Andhra Pradesh ????? ? ?
9.08
82.95

92.03
2
Arunachal Pradesh ??????? ???
0.37
1.39
1.76
3
Assam ???
7.04
50.78
57.82
4
Bihar ??????
25.01
129.00
154.01
5
Chhattisgarh ???????
7.19
43.78
50.97
6
Delhi ??????
0.77
18.75
19.52
7
Goa ???
0.13
1.25
1.38
8
Gujarat ??????
8.05
62.05
70.11
9
Haryana ????????
2.56
26.74
29.30
10
Himachal Pradesh ??????? ????
1.93
5.04
6.98
11
Jammu & Kashmir ???? -?????
2.32
13.65
15.97
12
Jharkhand ??????
9.17
49.24
58.41
13
Karnataka ??????
7.97
97.52
105.48
14
Kerala ????
5.96
28.37
34.33
15
Madhya Pradesh ???????
13.87
102.71
116.58

16
Maharashtra ???????
25.05
123.23
148.28
17
Manipur ???????
0.66
4.51
5.17
18
Meghalaya ??????
0.15
4.07
4.22
19
Mizoram ???????
0.26
1.16
1.42
20
Nagaland ????????
0.48
2.36
2.84
21
Odisha ???? ?
10.19
75.35
85.54
22
Punjab ?????
1.20
32.82
34.03
23
Rajasthan ???????
6.27
92.90
99.17
24
Sikkim ???????
0.17
0.81
0.98
25
Tamil Nadu ?????????
17.17
78.54
95.71
26
Telangana ????????
5.74
43.08
48.82
27
Tripura ???????
1.10
4.80
5.90
28
Uttar Pradesh ????? ???
40.95
294.02
334.96
29
Uttarakhand ????????
1.84
11.46
13.30
30

West Bengal ?. ????? *
51.82
550.03
601.85
31
A&N Island ?????? ?? ???????? ????? ???
0.04
0.09
0.13
32
Chandigarh ??????
0.00
0.59
0.59
33
D & N Haveli ??. ??? ?. ?????
0.04
0.37
0.41
34
Daman & Diu ??? ??? ???
0.01
0.23
0.24
35
Lakshadweep ???????
0.01
0.04
0.05
36
Pudducherry ?????????
0.28
1.53
1.81
TOTAL
264.86
2,035.22
2,300.08
* In place of one card for one family, West Bengal issues ration card to all eligible individual beneficiaries seperately
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ANNEXURE -II
ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (d) to (f) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 844 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 07.02.2017 IN THE LOK SABHA
Updated Statement of Deleted Ration Cards (16 November2016)
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States/UTs
State-wise Total
1
Andaman & Nicobar
37
2
Andhra Pradesh
9,67,000
3
Arunachal Pradesh
14,911
4
Assam
72,746
5
Bihar
41,369
6
Chandigarh
0
7
Chhattisgarh
10,39,000
8
Dadra & Nagar Haveli
1,647

9
Daman & Diu
0
10
Delhi
35,056
11
Goa
1,11,020
12
Gujarat
1,39,174
13
Haryana
1,92,130
14
Himachal Pradesh
3,260
15
Jammu and Kashmir
0
16
Jharkhand
7,933
17
Karnataka
46,19,988
18
Kerala
0
19
Lakshadweep
1,390
20
Madhya Pradesh
1,09,436
21
Maharashtra
21,62,391
22
Manipur
0
23
Meghalaya
0
24
Mizoram
997
25
Nagaland
0
26
Odisha
7,61,460
27
Puducherry
28,008
28
Punjab
1,01,249
29
Rajasthan
13,23,406
30
Sikkim
4,760
31
Tamil Nadu
3,70,727
32
Telangana

19,39,481
33
Tripura
1,76,986
34
Uttar Pradesh
24,72,135
35
Uttarakhand
0
36
West Bengal$
66,13,961
Grand Totals
2,33,11,658
$ West Bengal has individual Ration Cards system
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